BART Oakland Airport Connector

Construction Notification #43 Vehicle Testing to Begin on Oakland Airport Connector Guideway Tracks

Construction Details

Summary of Activities

The Oakland Airport Connector project will soon begin testing its newly designed system vehicles on the elevated guideway between the BART Coliseum Station and the Oakland International Airport.

Start Date

Late January 2014

Estimated Duration

 System testing will be ongoing through the end of 2014.

Impacts

 Vehicles will be seen traversing the elevated steel guideway structure, however it will not be open for service during testing.

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Test vehicles will soon be seen travelling on the elevated steel guideway along the Hegenberger Corridor. The Oakland Airport Connector is entering one of its final stages, systems testing, in anticipation of the start of service scheduled for later this fall.

The driverless vehicles will be propelled by a system of cables and motorized bullwheels housed in the OAC Wheelhouse, located near the midpoint of the alignment on Hegenberger Road at Pardee Drive.

The three-car vehicle, which will be unveiled on January 21, is the first of four which are specially-designed to be used on the 3.2 mile guideway. Each of the four system vehicles is being assembled in Oregon and shipped to Oakland. All will begin testing this spring.

Once construction and testing are complete, the system will operate between BART's Coliseum Station and the Oakland International Airport, replacing the current AirBART bus service. Service will begin in fall 2014.

To learn more about the vehicles and the Oakland Airport Connector, and to see a timelapse video of the vehicle being hoisted onto the guideway, visit www.bart.gov/OAC.





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